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Subclass: 432.2

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NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

Inventor(s): Thomas Lyon

For (title): INSERT FOR STEEL PLATES

1. Type of Application

This application is for an original (nonprovisional).

2. Papers Enclosed

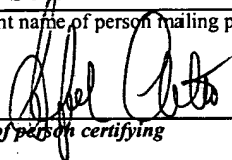
- A. Required for filing date under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) (Regular) or 37 C.F.R. § 1.153 (Design) Application

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12 Page(s) of Specification
 4 Page(s) of Claims
 1 Sheet(s) of Drawing(s)--Formal

B. Other Papers Enclosed

2 Page(s) of declaration and power of attorney
 1 Page(s) of abstract
 2 Page(s) of Assignment

3. Additional Papers Enclosed

Information Disclosure Statement (37 C.F.R. § 1.98)

Form PTO-1449 (PTO/SB/08A and 08B)

Citations

4. Declaration or Oath

Enclosed Executed by: inventor.

5. Inventorship Statement

The inventorship for all the claims in this application is the same.

6. Language

English

7. Assignment

An assignment of the invention to Trench Plate Rental Co. is attached. A separate FORM PTO 1595 is also attached.

8. Fee Calculation (37 C.F.R. § 1.16)

Regular Application

CLAIMS AS FILED											
Basic Fee 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(a) \$750.00											
Number Filed		Number Extra				Rate					
Total Claims (37 C.F.R § 1.16(c))		22	—	20	=	2	x \$	18.00	= \$	36.00	
Independent Claims (37 C.F.R §		2	—	3	=	0	x \$	84.00	= \$	0.00	

1.16(b))

Multiple Dependent Claim(s),
if any (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(d))

\$ 280.00 \$ 0.00

Filing Fee Calculation
Small Entity

\$786.00
\$393.00

9. Fee Payment Being Made at This Time

Enclosed Filing Fee

\$393.00

Recording assignment (\$40; 37 C.F.R. §
1.21(h)) (See attached "COVER SHEET FOR ASSIGNMENT
ACCOMPANYING NEW APPLICATION".)

\$40.00

Total Fees Enclosed

\$433.00

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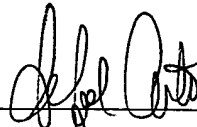
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12. Instructions as to Overpayment - Credit Account No. 022448.

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